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KOREA CALLS AS NEVER BEFORE

SOMETHING FOR YOU

THE OPENING WORD

THE missionary had just returned from the home land to Korea. One Christian gave her greeting in these expressive words, "Seeing you is like looking into the face of Jesus." The missionary wished it might be so and was comforted for anything service in Korea may have cost him.

If you in the home land who read this could only hear and see what we see our work in Korea would not be suffering so for the much needed help.

"Even though I give you my flesh to eat I could not repay you for what you have done for me and my family," said another Korean to a missionary. If, according to this Korean saying, they could give their flesh for the Light shining in the face of Christ, can we not give our prayers and money that they may have the Light that maketh all things new. Shall you whose soul is lighted;—but we need say no more. You are ready to see the *Situation* and supply one of the *Needs.*

THE SITUATION

AFTER cutting the work to the lowest possible point we find we must have $12,000 more for the year 1915 than is in sight from all sources. We must either plan our work for the year with faith that this money will be secured or destroy part of the work as it now is.

This situation has arisen from several causes. (1) *Special Gifts:* The lapsing of special gifts for the support of missionaries accounts for nearly one-third of the total amount. (2) *Schools:* The increased cost of, and absolute necessity to increase the efficiency of all our school work, that in may be in keeping with the regulations of the modern government, accounts for a large part of our overloaded budget. (3) *Taxes:* For the first time in our history we are called upon to pay taxes. (4) *The War:* The increased cost of living and advance in price of all equipment, calls for more money for the

same work. Together with this a decrease in the ability of the Koreans to advance in self support. This we believe to be temporary. Our Christians are largely farmers. While they had a good crop the price of rice is only about half the average for the past ten years. The scarcity of money makes it almost impossible to sell at any price.

The situation on the field was never so hopeful or urgent as now. The churches are crowded to overflowing. There is scarcely a service held but that new believers are added to those being saved. Reports of revivals come in from all over Korea. A letter from Kongju this morning says, "We have just closed a glorious revival on the East District. The Holy Spirit came down in great power and fullness."

With all this need and opportunity we must have larger financial support or be compelled to send home some of our missionaries. To do this not only makes it impossible to enter the ripened fields but will mean destruction to some of the crop already gathered. With every other denomination in Korea advancing in efficient equipment this is a sad situation for the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ONE WAY OUT

THIS is not a note of discouragement. It is a statement of facts. There is more than one way out. However, for the present year, this extra money must come through *Special Gifts*. There is no better opportunity to use money in a definite and direct way. We now have a plan by which each giver will be kept in close touch with special gifts.

Bishop Harris, Bishop Lewis or Missionary Secretary, Dr. Frank Mason North, will be pleased to give you fuller information regarding the pressing needs of Korea at this time. Look over the list showing what a few dollars will do and send your gift to *the Missionary Secretaries, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City.*

WHAT MONEY WILL DO IN KOREA.

Missionaries Salary - -	$700 to $1,200

Korean Workers—Per Year

Pastors - - -	60 to 120
(Some supported in whole and others from one-third to two-thirds by native church)	
Personal Helpers - -	120
(Language teacher and Secretary)	
Teachers, School, College, Theological	60 to 180

Scholarships

Grammar Grade - - -	20
High School - - - -	25
College - - - -	30
Theological (Six months) - -	15

Gifts of from $100 to $5,000 are needed for buildings and improvement of property including churches.

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